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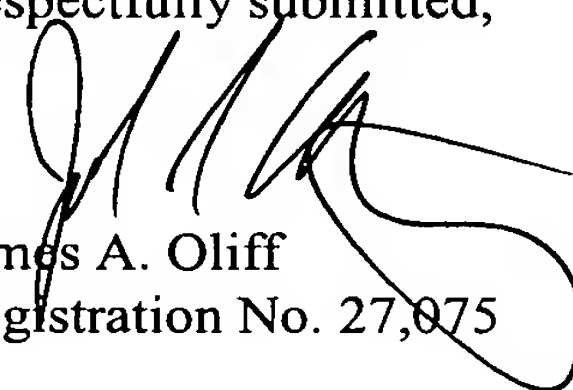
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- ☒ 3. Relevance of the non-English language reference 3 is discussed in the present specification.

- ☒ 4. English-language Abstracts of the non-English language references 2-8 are attached hereto.
- ☒ 5. A computer-generated English translation of the following Japanese Patent Publications have been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([<http://www.jpo.go.jp>]), and are attached, but have not been reviewed for accuracy. See References 2-3 and 6-8.

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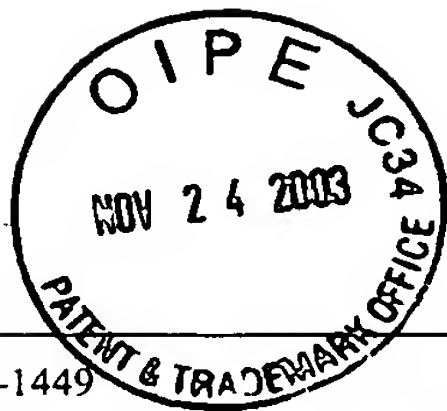
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